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time set for receipt of bids. If the IFB authorizes facsimile bids, bids may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of bids, subject to the conditions specified in the provision at 52.214-31, Facsimile Bids. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for receipt of bids, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid.

(End of provision)

[64 FR 51840, Sept. 24, 1999]

52.214-8-52.214-9 [Reserved]

52.214-10 Contract Award—Sealed Bidding.

As prescribed in 14.201–6(e), insert the following provision:

CONTRACT AWARD—SEALED BIDDING (JUL 1990)

- (a) The Government will evaluate bids in response to this solicitation without discussions and will award a contract to the responsible bidder whose bid, conforming to the solicitation, will be most advantageous to the Government considering only price and the price-related factors specified elsewhere in the solicitation.
- (b) The Government may (1) reject any or all bids, (2) accept other than the lowest bid, and (3) waive informalities or minor irregularities in bids received.
- (c) The Government may accept any item or group of items of a bid, unless the bidder qualifies the bid by specific limitations. Unless otherwise provided in the Schedule, bids may be submitted for quantities less than those specified. The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit prices offered, unless the bidder specifies otherwise in the bid.
- (d) A written award or acceptance of a bid mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful bidder within the time for acceptance specified in the bid shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.
- (e) The Government may reject a bid as nonresponsive if the prices bid are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work, and if there is a reasonable doubt that the bid will result in the lowest overall cost to the Government even though it may be the low evaluated bid,

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or if it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment.

(End of provision)

[48 FR 42478, Sept. 19, 1983, as amended at 50 FR 1746, Jan. 11, 1985; 50 FR 52429, Dec. 23, 1985; 55 FR 25531, June 21, 1990; 68 FR 43857, July 24, 2003]

52.214-11 [Reserved]

52.214-12 Preparation of Bids.

As prescribed in 14.201-6(f), insert the following provision:

PREPARATION OF BIDS (APR 1984)

- (a) Bidders are expected to examine the drawings, specifications, Schedule, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the bidder's risk.
- (b) Each bidder shall furnish the information required by the solicitation. The bidder shall sign the bid and print or type its name on the Schedule and each continuation sheet on which it makes an entry. Erasures or other changes must be initialed by the person signing the bid. Bids signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the issuing office
- (c) For each item offered, bidders shall (1) show the unit price, including, unless otherwise specified, packaging, packing, and preservation and (2) enter the extended price for the quantity of each item offered in the Amount column of the Schedule. In case of discrepancy between a unit price and an extended price, the unit price will be presumed to be correct, subject, however, to correction to the same extent and in the same manner as any other mistake.
- (d) Bids for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation.
- (e) Bidders must state a definite time for delivery of supplies or for performance of services, unless otherwise specified in the solicitation.
- (f) Time, if stated as a number of days, will include Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

(End of provision)

[48 FR 42478, Sept. 19, 1983, as amended at 51 FR 2666, Jan. 17, 1986]

52.214-13 Telegraphic Bids.

As prescribed in 14.201-6(g)(1), insert the following provision:

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TELEGRAPHIC BIDS (APR 1984)

- (a) Bidders may submit telegraphic bids as responses to this solicitation. These responses must arrive at the place, and by the time, specified in the solicitation.
- (b) Telegraphic bids shall refer to this solicitation and include the items or subitems, quantities, unit prices, time and place of delivery, all representations and other information required by this solicitation, and a statement of agreement with all the terms, conditions, and provisions of the invitation for bids.
- (c) Telegraphic bids that fail to furnish required representations or information, or that reject any of the terms, conditions, and provisions of the solicitation, may be excluded from consideration.
- (d) Bidders must promptly sign and submit complete copies of the bids in confirmation of their telegraphic bids.
- (e) The term *telegraphic bids*, as used in this provision, includes mailgrams.

(End of provision)

Alternate I (NOV 1988). As prescribed in 14.201–6(g)(2), substitute the following for paragraph (d) of the basic clause:

(d) Written confirmation of telegraphic bids is not required.

[48 FR 42478, Sept. 19, 1983, as amended at 53 FR, 43394, Oct. 26, 1988]

52.214-14 Place of Performance— Sealed Bidding.

As prescribed in 14.201-6(h), insert the following provision:

PLACE OF PERFORMANCE—SEALED BIDDING (APR 1985)

- (a) The bidder, in the performance of any contract resulting from this solicitation, \Box intends, \Box does not intend [check applicable box] to use one or more plants or facilities located at a different address from the address of the bidder as indicated in this bid.
- (b) If the bidder checks *intends* in paragraph (a) above, it shall insert in the spaces provided below the required information:

Place of Performance (Street Address, City, County, State, Zip Code) Name and Address of Owner and Operator of the Plant or Facility if Other than Bidder

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(End of provision)

[48 FR 42478, Sept. 19, 1983, as amended at 50 FR 1746, Jan. 11, 1985; 50 FR 52429, Dec. 23, 1985]

52.214-15 Period for Acceptance of Bids.

As prescribed in 14.201-6(i), insert the following provision:

PERIOD FOR ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS (APR 1984)
In compliance with the solicitation, the

bidder agrees, if this bid is accepted within calendar days (60 calendar days unless a different period is inserted by the bidder) from the date specified in the solicitation for receipt of bids, to furnish any or all items upon which prices are bid at the price set opposite each item, delivered at the designated point(s), within the time specified in the

(End of provision)

Schedule.

[48 FR 42478, Sept. 19, 1983, as amended at 54 FR 48991, Nov. 28, 1989]

52.214-16 Minimum Bid Acceptance Period.

As prescribed in 14.201-6(j), insert the following provision in invitations for bids, except for construction, if the contracting officer determines that a minimum acceptance period must be specified:

MINIMUM BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD (APR 1984)

- (a) Acceptance period, as used in this provision, means the number of calendar days available to the Government for awarding a contract from the date specified in this solicitation for receipt of bids.
- (b) This provision supersedes any language pertaining to the acceptance period that may appear elsewhere in this solicitation.
- (c) The Government requires a minimum acceptance period of _ calendar days [the Contracting Officer shall insert the number of days].
- (d) In the space provided immediately below, bidders may specify a longer acceptance period than the Government's minimum requirement.

THE BIDDER ALLOWS THE FOLLOWING ACCEPTANCE PERIOD: __ CALENDAR DAYS.

- (e) A bid allowing less than the Government's minimum acceptance period will be rejected.
- (f) The bidder agrees to execute all that it has undertaken to do, in compliance with its bid, if that bid is accepted in writing within (1) the acceptance period stated in paragraph